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# **Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC)**

Free Service for Nonprofits. The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD) provides nonprofit and government representatives with funding information at its Grants Information Resource Center (GIRC). This computer center provides access to funding databases, as well as the Internet. Staff is available to provide information on additional resources. The GIRC is located at One Judiciary Square, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 1130 North. Call (202) 727-8900 to schedule an appointment.

#### **SAVE THE DATE. 2006 Public-Private**

Partnership Conference. The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD), in partnership with Citibank, the Center for Nonprofit Advancement, and the Alliance for Nonprofit Management, will host its 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Public-Private Partnership conference on October 30, 2006. The all-day conference will be held at George Washington University. Mark your calendars and stay tuned for more details.

**DEADLINE EXTENDED** for Strengthening Partners Initiative (SPI) Applications. The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development (OPGD) has extended the deadline date to accept applications for the 2006-2007 SPI Class to July 21, 2006, at 5:00 p.m. SPI is a free training

opportunity for emerging nonprofit and faith-based organizations. The one-year program is designed to help nonprofit professionals move their organizations to the next level of operations and service-delivery. Executive directors (or equivalent positions) from organizations located and providing direct services in DC may apply if the following conditions are met: incorporated in DC; 501(c)(3) status from the IRS; annual budget under \$500,000; desires professional and organizational growth; and has the time and commitment to complete the 12 month program and related requirements. Applications are available at www.opgd.dc.gov. They may also be e-mailed, faxed, or picked-up from OPGD, 441 4<sup>th</sup> Street, NW, Suite 1130 North, Washington, DC. For additional information or to obtain the application, contact OPGD at (202) 727-8900.

# **Federal Opportunities**

#### **Charter School Program Non-SEA Dissemination.**

Department of Education announces funds to increase national understanding of the charter school model and to expand the number of high-quality charter schools available to students across the nation by providing financial assistance for the planning, program design, and initial implementation of charter schools, and to evaluate the effects of charter schools, including their effects on students, student academic achievement, staff, and parents. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is August 17, 2006. Approximately \$2,000,000 is available to fund 10 awards. For further information, contact Erin Pfeltz at (202) 205-3525 or erin.pfeltz@ed.gov; or go to:

http://www.grants.gov/search/search.do?oppId=1015 1&mode=VIEW. GrantID: GD1380



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**NEA American Masterpieces: Choral Music.** *The* National Endowment for the Arts announces funds to host regional choral festivals, each two to three days in length, which will highlight repertoire by American composers and include the participation of choral directors, composers, and other choruses. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is September 1, 2006. Approximately 10 grants, ranging from \$25,000- \$75,000 are available. A match is required. For further information, contact Music staff at (202) 682-5590; or go to: http://www.arts.gov/grants/apply/AMChoral.html.

**NEA American Masterpieces: Musical Theater.** 

GrantID: GD1383

The National Endowment for the Arts announces funds to acquaint Americans with the best of their cultural and artistic legacy. This component will celebrate the collaborative genius, evolution, diversity, and cultural contribution of the American musical theater and enable Americans in communities across the nation to experience musical theater work of the highest quality. Funds will be awarded in the following areas: 1) home-based or touring performances of masterworks; and 2) touring, by a limited number of organizations, of masterworks to three to five college and university presenters, with

special consideration given to engagements in communities that traditionally do not have access to professional musical theater. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, independent school districts, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, and nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is August 28, 2006. Approximately \$150,000 is available to fund awards of up to \$25,000. A match is required. For further information, contact Musical Theater staff at (202) 682-5509; or go to:

http://www.arts.gov/grants/apply/AMMusicalTheater.html. GrantID: GD1382

#### **NEA American Masterpieces: Visual Arts**

**Touring.** *The National Endowment for the Arts* announces funds to acquaint Americans in all 50 states with the best of their cultural and artistic legacy. This component will celebrate the extraordinary and rich evolution of the visual arts in the U.S. Through the creation and touring of major exhibitions, art of the highest quality -- that otherwise would not be available -- will be experienced by Americans in communities across the nation. Exhibitions may focus on schools, movements, traditions, subject areas, or themes. Eligible applicants include city or township governments, county governments, independent school districts, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, state governments, nonprofit organizations and private institutions of higher education. The deadline for applications is September 21, 2006. Approximately \$300,000 is available to fund awards of up to \$30,000. A match is required. For further information, contact Museums staff at (202) 682-5573; or go to:

http://www.arts.gov/grants/apply/AMVAT.html. GrantID: GD1384

### **District Opportunities**

#### Adult and Family Literacy Services Grant.

University of the District of Columbia (UDC)/State Education Agency (SEA) announces funds to provide educational opportunities to adults (age 16 and older) that will improve their literacy skills and enable them to function more effectively as citizens, parents, and workers. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is September 5, 2006, at 5:00 p.m. Approximately 15



awards, ranging from \$75,000-\$100,000, are available. The Request for Applications (RFA) will be released July 21, 2006, and may be obtained from UDC/SEA, 4340 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Room 302, Washington, DC 20008. Applicants are encouraged to attend a pre-application conference. The time, date, and location will be included in the RFA. For further information, contact Keith Watson at <a href="mailto:kwatson@kairosmgt.com">kwatson@kairosmgt.com</a>; or go to: <a href="http://www.opgd.dc.gov">http://www.opgd.dc.gov</a>. GrantID: GD1391

Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) Clinical **Services Grant.** *Department of Health* announces the availability of funds for community health care clinics currently operating in DC to provide screening, diagnosis and treatment, patient education, and when appropriate, referral service to STD patients during off duty hours, specifically evenings and weekends. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is August 14, 2006, at 5:00 p.m. The RFA may be obtained from 717 14th Street, NW, Suite 750, Washington, DC 20005. Approximately 3 awards. ranging from \$50,000-\$100,000, are available. For further information, contact Paulette Jackson at (202) 727-9862; or go to: http://www.opgd.dc.gov. GrantID: GD1385

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. The Mayor's Office of Partnerships and Grants Development is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia's grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <a href="http://opgd.dc.gov/">http://opgd.dc.gov/</a>, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

Department of Human Services, Counseling and Case Management Services for Victims of Domestic Violence, July 20, 2006, at 4:45 p.m.

Department of Human Services, Family Violence Prevention and Services Grant, July 20, 2006, at 4:45 p.m.

Department of Human Services, Family Violence Prevention and Services Public Information and Education Grant, July 20, 2006, at 4:45 p.m.

Department of Human Services, <u>Information</u>, <u>Education</u>, and <u>Outreach for Under-Served Victims</u> of <u>Domestic Violence</u>, July 20, 2006, at 4:45 p.m.

Department of Human Services, <u>Unified</u>
Communications Center (UCC) Child Development
Center (CDC), July 21, 2006, at 2:00 p.m.

Department of Human Services, Mini-Grant Management Program, July 26, 2006, at 3:30 p.m.

Department of Human Services, Replication of the Parent-Child Home Program (PCHP) Model, July 26, 2006, at 3:30 p.m.

Office on Latino Affairs, Latino Community Education Grant, August 25, 2006, at 2:00 p.m.

*Office of the Secretary*, Escheated Estates Fund, September 29, and December 28, 2006.

Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development, Commercial District Technical Assistance Program (CD-TAP), applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

## **Foundation Opportunities**

Community Giving. *Nike* announces funds to support organizations to increase the participation of young people in physical activity, with a focus on the lifelong benefits it brings and/or to address the challenges of globalization, with a particular emphasis on women and girls. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. There is no deadline date for applications. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.nike.com/nikebiz/nikebiz.jhtml?page=26">http://www.nike.com/nikebiz/nikebiz.jhtml?page=26</a> <a href="https://www.nike.com/nikebiz/nikebiz.jhtml?page=26">https://www.nike.com/nikebiz/nikebiz.jhtml?page=26</a> <a href="https:

Community Grants. Balance Bar announces funds to enable communities and organizations to pursue physical activities that enrich their lives. The grant must be dedicated to a project that will provide organization members, as well as community residents, with opportunities to lead healthy, active lifestyles. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations and community-based organizations. The deadline for applications is August 30, 2006. Awards range from \$1,000-\$25,000. For further information, go to:

 $\underline{\underline{http://www.balance.com/grants/default.aspx}}.$ 

GrantID: GD1386

John Chandler Baldwin Community Grants
Program. *Ober/Kaler* aids organizations that address children and youth education and welfare issues



primarily in Baltimore City and Washington, DC. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is August 4, 2006. Awards of up to \$15,000 are available. For further information, contact Ober|Kaler at <a href="mailto:oberkalergrants@ober.com">oberkalergrants@ober.com</a>; or go to: <a href="mailto:http://www.ober.com/grants/guidelines.html">http://www.ober.com/grants/guidelines.html</a>. GrantID: GD1390

Neighborhood Answers Grant Program. Radio Shack announces funds to support and promote answers that bring community impact through programs or projects conducted by local organizations. The program focuses on two areas: prevention of family violence/abuse; and/or child abduction. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is September 15, 2006. Awards of up to \$500 are available. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.radioshackcorporation.com/cc/contributions.html">http://www.radioshackcorporation.com/cc/contributions.html</a>. GrantID: GD1387

Student Achievement Grants. The NEA Foundation announces funds to improve the academic achievement of students by engaging in critical thinking and problem solving that deepen knowledge of standards-based subject matter. The work should also improve students' habits of inquiry, self-directed learning, and critical reflection. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations, public school teachers in grades PreK–12, public school education support professionals, and/or faculty or staff at public higher education institutions. The deadline for applications is October 16, 2006. For further information, go to:

http://www.neafoundation.org/programs/StudentAchievement\_Guidelines.htm. GrantID: GD1393

Support for Low-Income and Disadvantaged in DC. The International Monetary Fund's (IMF) Civic Program supports charities in its host city, Washington, DC, and in low-income countries, through monetary grants and in-kind donations. Support is given to programs designed to enable persons to emerge permanently from very low-income, socially dependent, and other detrimental and dysfunctional situations. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is September 30, 2006. For further information, write to the IMF's Civic & Community Relations coordinator at

<u>communityrelations@imf.org</u> or send a fax to (202) 589-7085; or go to:

http://www.internationalmonetaryfund.com/external/np/cpac/donate.htm. GD1394

**Te@ch Program.** *Best Buy* is accepting applications to reward schools for successful interactive programs they have launched using technology to make learning fun for kids. Eligible applicants include independent school districts and nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is September 30, 2006. Approximately \$3,500,000 is available. For further information, go to: <a href="https://bestbuyteach.scholarshipamerica.org/">https://bestbuyteach.scholarshipamerica.org/</a>. GrantID: GD1392

Youth Orchestras. The Mr. Holland's Opus Foundation targets qualified K-12 school music programs, community schools of the arts, after school programs and youth orchestras in need of assistance. Funds are available for instrument repair and the acquisition of new instruments. Eligible applicants include independent school districts, nonprofit organizations, and community-based organizations. There is no deadline date for applications. For further information, contact the Foundation at (818) 784-6787 or applications@mhopus.org; or go to: <a href="http://www.mhopus.org/default.htm">http://www.mhopus.org/default.htm</a>. GrantID: GD1388

#### **Resources & Announcements**

Award for Nonprofit Innovation. The Peter F. Drucker and Masatoshi Ito Graduate School of Management at Claremont Graduate University is accepting applications for the Peter F. Drucker Award for Nonprofit Innovation. The Award recognizes an innovative, existing program that has made a difference in the lives of the people it serves. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. The deadline for applications is August 15, 2006. The Award is accompanied by a first place prize of \$25,000 and two runners up prizes of \$5,000 and \$2,500. The cash prizes are unrestricted and designed to celebrate and further the work of innovative nonprofit organizations in the U.S. For further information, go to:

http://www.cgu.edu/pages/2417.asp.

**Free Grant Writing Training**. *Department of Housing and Urban Development* will host a two-day



training session on topics such as: Grant Proposal Writing Techniques; How to Access Government Funds; HUD Programs Available for Nonprofits; HUD Common Factors for Awards; Performance Measurements; Working with Local Governments; Organizational Development; Coalition and Capacity Building; Legal Do's and Don'ts; and the Ten Commandments of Grantwriting. These training sessions will take place July 26-27, 2006, 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m., at Clifton Park Baptist Church, 8818 Piney Branch Road, Silver Spring, MD 20909. For further information and to register, contact Lillian Curley at (202) 275-9200 x 3303; or go to:

http://www.hud.gov/local/index.cfm?state=dc.

Sustainable Funding for Your Mission. Raising More Money will host an introductory session to its Raising More Money Model. Participants will learn: how to identify and introduce ideal donors to their organizations; how to personally cultivate people to become lifelong donors; how to leave a legacy of mission-centered individual giving; and more. The session will take place on August 23, 2006, 9:00 a.m.–11:00 a.m., at Global Rights, 1200 18th Street, NW, Suite 602, Washington, DC 20036. For further information, contact Karin Power at (206) 709-9400 x 104 or <a href="mailto:karin.power@raisingmoremoney.com">karin.power@raisingmoremoney.com</a>; or go to:

http://sforce.raisingmoremoney.com/intros/midatlantic.htm.

#### **Previous Announcements**

Corporate Foundations. The Foundation Center announces the release of a new research report on corporate giving. This report provides estimates of 2005 giving by the nation's nearly 2,600 grantmaking corporate foundations and data on actual giving from 1987-2004. It includes analyses of corporate foundation giving relative to other types of foundations and to all sources of private giving, giving by subject focus, type of support, and region. Also provided is a list of the top 25 corporate foundations by giving. For more information and to access the report, go to:

 $\underline{http://foundationcenter.org/gainknowledge/research/n}\ \underline{ational trends.html}.$ 

**Developing a Powerful Grant Proposal.** *Tracks to Success* has published an 18-part series that covers the entire spectrum of grant proposal development.

The series offers step-by-step tutorials, checklists, worksheets, and samples to help guide proposal development. The series will help novice grant writers understand each segment of the process, as well as provide more experienced grant writers with new ideas about how to approach grant writing. For further information, go to:

http://www.grantstation.com/index.asp#tracks.

Education. National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) announces funds to support teachers by paying a portion of their certification fee. Subsidy funds are awarded on a first come, first served basis. Eligible applicants must meet NBPTS eligibility guidelines and submit a District of Columbia Application for Assessment Fee Support to the program administrator. The deadline for applications is December 31, 2006. Awards up to \$1,000 are available. For further information, go to: <a href="http://www.nbpts.org/resources/state\_local\_information/District%20of%20Columbia">http://www.nbpts.org/resources/state\_local\_information/District%20of%20Columbia</a>.

**Free Emergency Succession Plan Template**. *The Center for Nonprofit Advancement* has developed and is making available to the nonprofit community a free emergency succession plan template. The template includes plans for short-term, long-term and permanent executive director changes. For further information, go to:

http://www.nonprofitadvancement.org/information48 12/information.htm.

#### Grantseeking Basics for Individuals in the Arts.

The Foundation Center will host free basic grantseeking training to help individuals involved in the arts learn how to find funding for any arts-related project. Training will cover subjects such as: identifying funders in the arts; exploring the option of fiscal sponsorship; and creating a step-by-step plan to find funding for your needs as an individual grantseeker. The course will be held on August 17, 2006, 12:30 p.m.-1:45 p.m., at the Foundation Center, 1627 K Street, NW, Third Floor, Washington, DC 20006. For further information and to register, go to:

http://foundationcenter.org/getstarted/training/free/gsbia.html.

**Kids Count 2006 Data Book Online.** *The Annie E. Casey Foundation's* 2006 KIDS COUNT Data Book is available in an online database that contains more



than 75 measures of child well-being, including the 10 measures used in the annual KIDS COUNT Data Book. It also includes timely data on Education, Employment and Income, Poverty, Health, Basic Demographics, and Youth Risk Factors for the U.S., all 50 states, and DC. Custom graphs, maps, ranked lists, and state-by-state profiles may be generated from the database. To access the database or order a free copy of the full report, go to: http://www.aecf.org/kidscount/sld/databook.jsp.

New Travel Philanthropy Program. Elevate Destinations is planning to launch their pioneer Travel Matters Program in Fall 2006. The program permits departing and returning travelers to make online donations to nonprofit organizations in the countries they visit. Eligible applicants include nonprofit organizations. For further information, go to: http://www.elevatedestinations.com/benefits.html.

#### Nonprofit Creativity and Effectiveness Award.

The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation recently created a new annual awards program for small nonprofit groups that demonstrate exceptional creativity and effectiveness. Grants of up to \$500,000 each will go to groups that have budgets under \$2.5 million, show strong leadership and stable financial management, have reached a critical point in their development, and have previously received MacArthur grants. The foundation said it will not seek or accept nominations for the award. This year's winners will be announced in October. For further information, go to: www.macfound.org.

Nonprofit Town Hall Meeting for Change. The Center for Nonprofit Advancement and the Nonprofit Roundtable of Greater Washington invite you to attend Common Ground, Common Goals: The Washington Region Town Hall Meeting for Change. The event will bring together nonprofits from around the region to discuss important issues, determine shared priorities, and create a unified nonprofit agenda toward collective action. The results from this event will add this region's voice to the Nonprofit Congress coming to Washington in October 2006 (www.nonprofitcongress.org). The Town Hall event will take place on July 19, 9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m., at the True Reformer Building, 1200 U Street, NW, Washington, DC. Registration for the Town Hall event is free, and breakfast will be provided. For further information, contact Jeff Kost at (202) 4570540 or jeffk@nonprofitadvancement.org; or go to: http://www.nonprofitadvancement.org/newsletter185 2/newsletter show.htm?doc id=377487. To register, go to http://www.regonline.com/99242.

**Software Information for Nonprofits.** *Idealware* provides candid Consumer Reports-style reviews and articles about software of interest to nonprofits. Through product comparisons, recommendations, case studies, and software news, Idealware allows nonprofits to make the software decisions that will help them be more effective. For further information, go to: http://www.idealware.org/.

**Technology Innovation Award.** NPower Greater DC Region, a local nonprofit organization that provides technology services to other nonprofits, is accepting applications for its second annual NPower Technology Innovation Award given by Accenture. The award recognizes nonprofits in the metropolitan DC region whose innovative use of technology has helped them improve key aspects of their operations and more effectively fulfill their missions. The award will honor a winner and two other finalists that best demonstrate how technology advancements have had a positive impact on: 1) their overall mission; 2) the efficiency of day-to-day operations; 3) the effectiveness in serving clients and key stakeholders; and 4) their fundraising, advocacy or volunteer efforts. The deadline for applications is September 15, 2006. Winners will receive free technology consulting and software products valued up to \$35,000. For further information, contact NPower Greater DC Region at (202) 234-9670; or go to: www.npowergdcr.org/tia.htm.

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